MR. D. GNANASIGAMONI: May I know whether any other officer than the Peishkar has any power to make an enquiry on the matter?

HON'BLE MR. G. RAMACHANDRAN: The Registrar can make an enquiry.

MR. D. GNANASIGAMONI: May I know whether it was done in an arbitrary manner?

HON'BLE MR. G. RAMACHANDRAN: I do not think there is any arbitrariness in the matter.

MR. D. GNANASIGAMONI: Can the Government make an open enquiry in the matter?

HON'BLE MR. G. RAMACHANDRAN: That is a matter for consideration.

MR. D. GNANASIGAMONI: May I know whether the Registrar, or the Division Peishkar has a right to set aside an enquiry?

HON'BLE MR. G. RAMACHANDRAN: That is why I said that the publication of election results may have to be deferred, if petitions questioning the validity of the election on responsible grounds are received in due time.

MR. D. GNANASIGAMONI: Does the Government know that there is no provision to delay the publication of election?

HON'BLE MR. G. RAMACHANDRAN: I think my answer holds good.

MR. D. GNANASIGAMONI: Will the Minister be pleased to consider the matter?

HON'BLE MR. G. RAMACHANDRAN: Yes; I will call for legal opinion.

MR. A. NESAMONY: Are the Government prepared to hold over the re-election till the legal opinion is obtained on the matter?

HON'BLE MR. G. RAMACHANDRAN: That matter also will be considered.

Tobacco smuggling cases.

214. MR. P. GOPALAN: Will the Honourable Minister for Excise be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any tobacco smuggling cases have been charged by the Excise Department at Vaikom from 1120 up to this day; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative what is the number?

HON'BLE MR. G. RAMACHANDRAN: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Eleven cases.

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MR. N. V. CHACKO (*Kunnathunad III—General*) : സ്റ്റേറ്റിംഗ്, തിരുവിതാംകൂറിൽനിന്നും കൊച്ചിയിലേക്കോ, അതോ കൊച്ചിയിൽനിന്നും തിരുവിതാംകൂറിലേക്കോ ഉണ്ടായിക്കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നതു?

HON'BLE. MR. G. RAMACHANDRAN: I think it should be both ways. In any case I claim notice.

Radio Broadcasting Station.

215. MR. A. ABOUL RAZAAK (*Nedumangad—I Muslim*) : Will the Honourable Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Government propose to close down the Radio Broadcasting Station at Trivandrum in consonance with the Government's all embracing scheme of retrenchment; and

(*b*) if the answer to (a) is in the negative, what proposals do the Government have for resurrecting it to the levels of any one of the Broadcasting stations of the All-India Radio ?

HON'BLE. MR. A. THANU PILLAI : (*a*) No.

(*b*) The Broadcasting Station is functioning. The question of resurrection does not arise.

MR. ABDUL AZIZ : Are we not having education Broadcasting in Malayam ?

HON'BLE. MR. A. THANU PILLAI : Yes.

MR. A. ABDUL RAZAAK : Are we not having any education talk in Tamil ?

HON'BLE. MR. A. THANU PILLAI : Yes.

MR. A. ABDUL RAZAAK : Are we not having any of them at present ?

HON'BLE. MR. A, THANU PILLAI : At present means what ?

MR. A. ABDUL RAZAAK : Just now.

HON'BLE. MR. A. THANU PILLAI : No.

Payment of tax in kind.

216. MR. P. CHACKO (*Thiruvella V—General*) : Will the Honourable Minister for Land be pleased to state :

(*a*) are the Government aware that the tax in kind is being realised from the Kallooppara pakuthy though the payment of tax in kind has been abolished in the State more than forty years before ;

(*b*) have the Government received complaints and representation about that ;

(*c*) if so, what action has been taken in the matter ;

(*d*) will the Government be pleased to abolish the payment of tax in kind as it is a regular source of trouble and corruption ; and

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